

Remarks

Claims 1-13 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 3 and 13 are rejected. Claims 2 and 4-12 are objected to. Claim 1 is amended. Claim 5 is cancelled. All rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claims 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Su et al. (US 6625161).

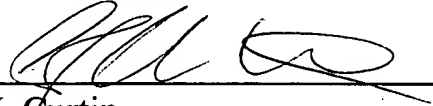
Claims 3 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Su in view of Silberschatz (U.S. 6556578).

Claims 1 and 13 are amended to include allowable subject matter. Claim 5 is canceled herein.

All rejections have been complied with, and applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance. The applicant urges the Examiner to contact the applicant's attorney at phone and address indicated below if assistance is required to move the present application to allowance. Please charge any shortages in fees in connection with this filing to Deposit Account 50-0749.

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